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MEMORANDUM FOR

The Vice President
The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense

ALSO: The Secretary of Energy
The Attorney General
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Disclosure of Classified United States
Military Information to Foreign Govern-
ments and International Organizations (U)

This directive reaffirms the policy, objectives and implementing responsibilities prescribed by National Security Decision Memorandum 119 of July 20, 1971. The basic policy of the United States governing the disclosure of classified United States military information to foreign governments and international organizations remains unchanged; however, the President has authorized certain additional requirements to augment existing policy. In order to implement fully this policy and better to achieve its intended purpose, the President has specifically authorized: (U)

- The National Military Information Disclosure Policy Committee (NDPC) to develop and promulgate instructional guidance to be uniformly applied by all personnel involved in any manner with international programs through which classified United States military information may be disclosed; and; (U)
- The Secretaries of State and Defense to initiate with recipient governments the negotiation of General Security of Information Agreements or other bilateral security arrangements outlining

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the responsibilities of both parties pertaining to the safeguarding of classified United States military information. These agreements should contain provisions requiring (1) foreign governments to whom United States classified military information has been or will be entrusted, to report promptly and fully any known or suspected compromises of such information and corrective action taken to preclude recurrence, and (2) provisions for reciprocal on-site security surveys for purposes of determining the capability of the foreign government or international organization to provide to U.S. classified military information the requisite degree of security protection. (U)

In view of United States foreign policy considerations, the President has stressed that classification eligibility levels established by the NDPC should not be discussed with representatives of foreign governments or international organizations. (C)



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